India Coordinated Research Project on Mite, Bangalore and Tamilnadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore as nodal centre.

Expenses of DMS

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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had obtained the information regarding expenses other than administrative expenses, expenses related to distribution of milk and expenses on purchase of milk in the Delhi Milk Scheme before raising the prices of milk;

(b) if so, the amount of expenses thereof, separately, item-wise;

(c) whether Government had identified the potentials to reduce the expenses of the said items; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV) : (a) The Government examined expenses on various elements before raising the sale price of Delhi Milk Scheme milk.

(b) During 1999-2000 the average cost of each element per 100 litres of milk is given below :

(Rs. per 100 litres)

Element of cost	Expenses
Raw material cost	1076.10
Processing cost	127.60
Distribution cost	64.42
Administrative cost	38.96
Other Cost	47.26
Total	1354.34

(c) and (d) : The procurement rate of raw milk is same as that paid by Mother Dairy. Continuous efforts to reduce the expenses are being made by rationalisation of routes/booths and optimum utilization of staff.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.